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GENERAL AND COMPLETE DISARMAMENT

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- 1. US ALTERNATIE CCD REP MET WITH JAPANESE FOREIGN MINISTRY DISARMAMENT EXPERT (WATANABE) TO PROVIDE PRELIMINARY REACTION TO JAPANESE DRAFT PROGRAM OF ACTION ON GENERAL AND COMPLETE DISARMAMENT (TEXT PROVIDED REFTEL).
- 2. US ALTERNATE REP ASKED WHAT JAPANESE INTENDED UNDER I.2 (1) "CESSATION OF PRODUCTION OF FISSIONABLE MATERIALS FOR MILITARY PURPOSES (CUT-OFF)". WATANABE RESPONDED THAT FOR THE TERM "MILITARY PURPOSES" THE JAPANESE MEANT "NUCLEAR WEAPONS". US ALTERNATE REP EXPRESSED VIEW THAT JAPANESE MAY WISH TO MAKE THIS POINT WITH GREATER PRECISION TO AVOID SUGGESTING THAT MILITARY REACTORS MIGHT BE INCLUDED.
- 3. UNDER II, 1.(3) "CONCLUSION OF A TREATY ON THE EFFECTIVE PROHIBITON OF THE USE OF INCENDIARY WEAPONS", IT WAS SUGGESTED CONFIDENTIAL

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THAT THIS BE MOVED TO III SINCE INCENDIARY WEAPONS ARE NOT CLASSIFIED AS MASS DESTRUCTION WEAPONS. IT IS PLACE (II, 1.(3), IT WAS SUGGESTED THAT A CONVENTION ON RADIOLOGICAL WEAPONS BE INCLUDED, AND UNDER A NEW ITEM (II, 2.(1)), THAT NEW TYPES OF MASS DESTRUCTION WEAPONS (MDW) BE MENTIONED. WITH RESPECT TO LATTER POINT, US ALTERNATE REP NOTED THAT US ADVOCATES THAT NEW MDW BE KEPT UNDER REVIEW BY CCD RATHER THAN NEGOTIAT-

ING A VAGUE PROHIBITION.

- 4. WITH RESPECT TO IV "CONFIDENCE BUILDING MEASURES" IT WAS NOTED THAT THIS SECTION APPEARED TO BE A BIT THIN AND MIGHT BE FLESHED OUT, BUT NO SPECIFIC SUGGESTIONS WERE OFFERED.
- 5. WATANABE SAID THAT JAPAN CONTINUES TO BE PARTICULARLY INTERESTED IN THE CONVENTIONAL WEAPONS ISSUE AND IS CONSIDERING HOW TO KEEP THIS ISSUE ALIVE AT THE UN. HE INDICATED THAT CONSULTATIONS WOULD BE NECESSARY WITH THE NON-ALIGNED, ESPECIALLY INDIA, AND WITH OTHERS IF JAPAN DECIDES TO PROPOSE A CONVENTIONAL WEAPONS RESOLUTION AT THE UNGA THIS FALL. US ALTERNATE REP SAID THAT USG WOULD WELCOME EARLY OPPORTUNITY TO CONSULT IF GOJ DECIDES TO PROPOSE SUCH A RESOLUTION. VANDEN HEUVEL

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